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Dear Harold,

I'm really sorry I haven't written for so long. I'm surprised I haven't heard from you for so long, for I had expected to hear something about the new book. I hope everything is OK with you.

I haven't written because things have been unbelievably hecticcfor me, and the final month here was far more emotionally draining than I ever expected. It has been hard on me. I've nnever made such a major move before, and I've been going around sapped with the feeling that my roots have been pulled up and that I'm just floating around for the time being, so to speak. I hadn't realized that my house in West Phila had become my home, and I love many of my friends there like family. Saying good-bye was really painful, and for the past month we have all be going arounnd under this cloud of the realization that it would all end soon. Add to that the (now) usual complications in my love life and you have a situation which taxes the emotions. So, I just have not beнn able to "get it together" to sit down and write a letter. Now I am home, having just packed up and shipped all 450 lbs of my possessions (not counting books and files!). It was good to get away from West Phila because everyone has left for end-of-summer vacation and it was depressing as hell. It's nice to spend some time with my family (do you realize I spent about 3 times as much time with you and Lil this summer than with my parents!), but being home is also taxing for me in a way, because I feel quite repressed.

I already have homework for law school! They sent me 300 pp to read for the orientation period. Included in the reading materials was an appeals brief which included a trial transcript copyrighted by Ward and Paul! So far the reading is very interesting.

I leave for Fla in two days, and I'm looking forward to it very much, as you know. My address there will be 912 SW 7th Ave., Apt. 3, Gainesville, Fla., 32601. I'm having address labels made so I'll send you some when they arrive.

Please write me soon in Fla to let me know you and Lil are and what has happened with the book.

Best to both of you,

Howard